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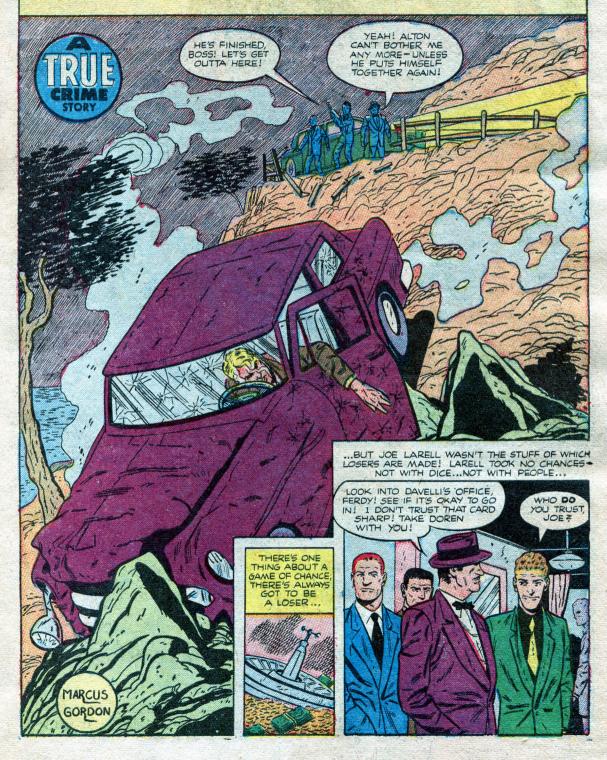
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DEAD MAN'S REVENGE



N O PAY WHAT OPERATOR LIKES TO DIE IF HE DON'T?







TO A CLOSET...SO THE

ME-NOT WOULDN'T LIKE TO

BIG SHOT DON'T TRUST THAT I





THAT'S TELLIN'

NOBODY RUNS

















EDDIE IF I THOUGHT
YOU WERE WELCHIN'
YOU'D BE CATCHIN'
LEAD NOW! SINCE
YOU'RE LATE IN PAYIN'
UP, WE'LL JUST
MESS YOU UP!

THE
MONEY!



LARELL'S BIGGER ACCOUNTS WERE FRIGHTENED WITH SOMETHING MORE THAN BROKEN BONES...





















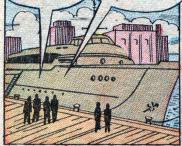




GALLERIES, MR. LARELL WAS BUSY LOOKING FOR A YACHT... BUT NOT PURELY FOR THE PLEASURE OF

YACHTING ... I WANT SOME THIN' I CAN TURN INTO A GAMBLING SHIP AN' KEEP JUST OUTSIDE THE COASTAL LIMITS ...

BEFORE YOU WORRY ABOUT ANY GAMBLIN' JOINTS OFF SHORE! HOW ABOUT ATTENDIN' TO THE ONES ON SHORE?



T FIGURED YOU AND THERE WON'T HUNK WERE ATTENDING TO THAT, PITTSBURG I THINK THIS YEAH ... TUB WILL DO FINE! DICE ALTON!



BE ANY TUB UNLESS YOU PUT THE SCREWS ON



YOU'RE STILL TALKING DOUBLE! WHO'S THIS DICE ALTON .. WHY AND DO I HAVE TO WORRY

ABOUT HIM?

HE'S A FRESH YOUNG GENIUS FROM THE EAST! HE RUNS ASTRAIGHT JOINT! HAS NO TABLE RIGGED! PACKS 'EM

IN ON HIS REPUTATION OF HONESTY ... AN' HE WON'T JOIN OUR



WE TRIED ALL KINDS OF THREATS, BOSS! NOTHIN' HELPED, NOW IT'S SPREADIN' AROUND THAT ONE TIN HORN WITH A

ALTON TO ME! HEY YOU! LET'S FINISH THE DEAL ON THIS GOT US BOAT! I'M TAKIN' BUFFALOED!

IS THAT

ALL THAT'S

YOU ? LEAVE

WORRYIN'



THE FOLLOWING NIGHT, IN DICE ALTON'S ROULETTE ROOM ..

THAT'S WHY HE WON'T PAY TRIBUTE YOU WIN, 23! JOE! I TOLD YOU ALTON HE CAN'T AFFORD RAN IT! C'MON! LET'S TALK TO THE JERK! STRAIGHT BUT NO GUN PLAY JOINT! HEREI

THERE'S THE WATCH-MR. ALTON IS FERDY! DOG WHO'S ALWAYS GIVIN' US THE BRUSH OFF, BUSY! YOU'LL HAVE PITTSBURGH! TO CALL FOR AN SOMETHINGIS IN MY WAY! GET IT OUT! APPOINTMENT! BOSS!







ARE DEAD ONES: 10 SIA) IMALWAY





T. TAKE IT EASY,

ALTON! YOU'RE







NOW ... GET OUT!

IF YOU COME



JUST LET HIM BE!

HE MADE ME LOOK LIKE TWO CENTS! NOW HE COULDN'T OUT FER A MILLION BUCKS!



























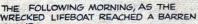






THEY "HOPED"
AND THEY WERE
LUCKY...AS FAR
AS THE STORM
WAS CONCERNED!
THE SC SALL
CARRIEL THEM
FAR AWAY...BUT
AT LEAST NOT
DOWNWARD...

















REAL SORRY! AND WHEN HE HAD ... YOU'RE YOU KNOW I GUESS I FORGET TO THAT'S WHY I'M LUCKY, SOMETHING, MENTION IT! IT'S ALTON! WAS WATER, BABY? I DON'T BABY! MRS. DICE ALTON! MY GUN INTO LARELL! FERDY DIDN'T TAKE EVEN KNOW RAISE 'EM, LARELL!

YOU! BIAM!

DECIDED THERE A SHOT AT YOU, WASN'T ENOUGH TOO! ME, I'M A FOR ALL ... 50 HE TRIED TO GENTLEMAN! I'LL DO ANYTHING CUT DOWN THE FOR A DAME. NUMBER OF IF SHE'S NICE DRINKERS! TO ME!



YOUR NAME!



GASP! YOU CATCH ON FAST! I'M WORKING WITH THE POLICE, LARELL! I'M ..YOU CAME AFTER MY HUSBAND'S ABOARD THE SHIP MURDERER ... AND TO GET NOW I'VE GOT HIM! WES TURN AROUND



NEVER EXPECTED YOUR SHIP TO GO DOWN ... BUT IT WAS I WHO GOT RID OF THE FOOD AND WATER! I KNEW YOU RATE WOULD KILL EACH OTHER TO STAY ALIVE!



MRS. DICE ALTON CALMLY SAT DOWN, TOOK A SWIG OF WATER AND WAITED FOR A RESCUE SHIP TO ARRIVE...IT DID THE FOLLOWING MORNING .

I GOT HIM FOR YOU, DICE! I GOT REVENGE ... OR RATHER YOU GOT IT!



LATER. JOE LARELL WENT TO THE ELECTRIC CHAIR! EVEN HE UNDER-STOOD AT LAST THAT WHEN YOU BET AGAINST THE LAW, YOU'RE SURE TO.

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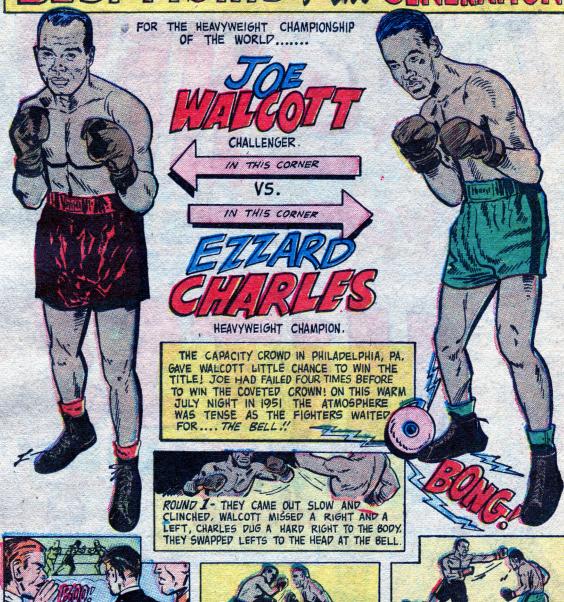
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ROUND 2- BOXING CAUTIOUSLY, EACH GOT IN GOOD BODY BLOWS. THEY TRIED FEINTING EACH OTHER, WITH NO SUCCESS, A SMATTERING OF BOOS AT THE BELL!



ROUND 4 - WALCOTT TOOK THE LEAD, HE LANDED FOUR LEFTS TO THE HEAD, EZZARD WAS BLEEDING FROM THE MOUTH. THEY EXCHANGED HARD RIGHTS TO THE JAW -



CHARLES WITH AN OVERHAND RIGHT

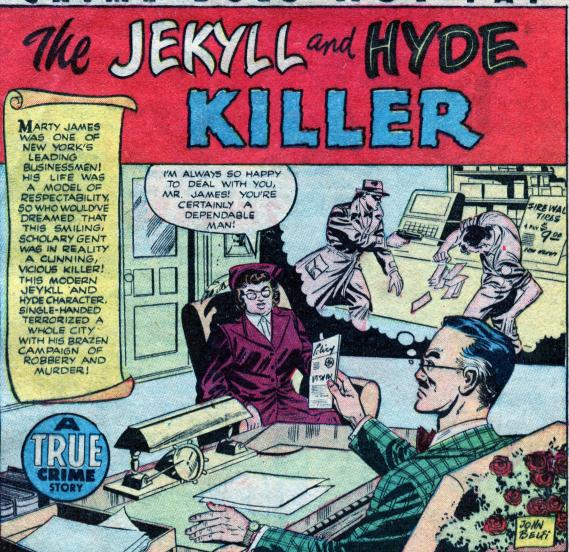


ROUND 6- THERE WAS A LUMP I UNDER CHARLES' EYE. JOE CAUGHT EZZARD WITH TWO LEFT HOOKS TO THE JAW THAT MADE HIM STAGGER -



ROUND 7- CHARLES PINNED JOE AGAINST THE ROPES BUT NO DAMAGE-WALCOTT STEPPED IN WITH A HARD LEFT HOOK TO THE JAW-CHARLES WAS COUNTED OUT! THE NEW CHAMPION - WALCOTT!!





OUR STORY BEGINS ON THE NIGHT OF SEP-TEMBER 16, 1952, AT THE 39TH PRECINCT STATION IN MANHATTAN-AT 9:15 ... POLICE CHIEF DAVE KOLMER ANSWERS THE PHONE AND CALLS UPON DETECTIVE ALAN LEIGHTON ...







BY MORNING, EVERY NEWS-PAPER IN NEW YORK WAS SCREAMING ITS HEAD OFF...



RETURNING?

IMMEDIATELY, THE DEPARTMENT ROUNDED UP KNOWN HOODS AND SUSPECTS FROM EVERY PART OF THE UNDERWORLD...

YOU COPPERS
CAN'T HOLD
ME! I DON'T
KNOW NOTHING
ABOUT THOSE
STICK-UPS!

ANOTHER BLANK
LEIGHTON! NONEOF THE
VICTIMS COULD IDENTIFY
THEM! IT MAKES IT
TOUGH 'CAUSE THE
THIEF WORE A
MASK!

I'VE GOT AN ANGLE,
CHIEF - SINCE NONE
OF THE VICTIMS COULD
IDENTIFY THE HOODS
IN THE LINE-UP!
THERE MUST NOT
BE ANY GANGLAND
CONNECTIONS! I
THINK IT'S A
ONE-MAN JOB!

FOR THE NEXT NOTHING MORE WAS HEARD ABOUT THE MASKED BANDIT! THEN ON THE NIGHT OF SEPTEMBER 20TH...

EXTRA



IT'S SERGEANT GORDON
OF THE 60TH PRECINCT!
THERE WERE FOUR
ROBBERIES IN HIS SECTION
IN THE LAST HOUR—
ALL BY A BLACKMASKED HOOD!

IT SURE
SOUNDS
LIKE A
ONE-MAN
JOB!

JOB!

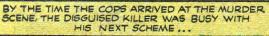
GO AHEAD,
LEIGHTON! THE
CASE IS YOURS
TO THE
FINISH!

THE MAGKED BANDIT BECAME BOLDER AND BOLDER, AND ON THE NIGHT OF SEPTEMBER 26TH, NEAR THE CLOSING HOUR OF THE BAR AND GRILL ON EIGHTH AVENUE...













HE SEEMED LIKE A NICE MAN... AND HIS BUSINESS CARD IS CONVINCING ENOUGH...







BACK AT THE 39TH PRECINCT ...





















AGAIN THE KILLER GOT AWAY, BUT WHEN DETECTIVE LEIGHTON RETURNED, HE STOOPED DOWN TO PICK UPA CARD.

HEY- WHAT'S THIS ,... MARTIN

JAMES! HE'S THE GUY WHO

TOOK UP THAT COLLECTION! CAN

HE AND THE KILLER BE CONNECTED?

OR COULD HE BE PULLING

A JEKYLL AND

HYDE STUNT?









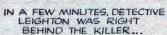




YOU MIGHT AS WELL COME CLEAN,
JAMES! THIS CHART PREPARED AT
THE PRECINCT SHOWS THE LOCATIONS
OF ALL YOUR CRIMINAL OPERATIONS!
WE HAVE WITNESSES WHO
ARE READY TO SWEAR...











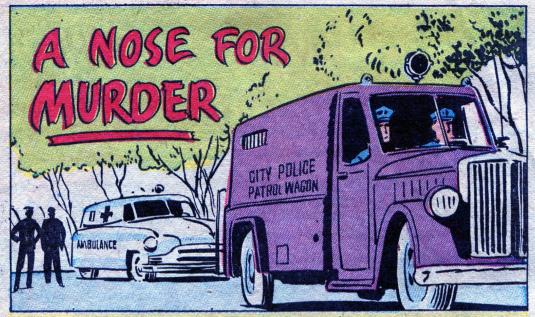


HE'S DONE FOR! I JUST PICKED UP THIS NOTEBOOK LYING NEAR HIS CAR—IT LISTS HIS INTENDED VICTIMS, AND THIS VERY GAS STATION WAS TO BE HIS NEXT VICTIM!

AND SO
ON THE
EVENING
OF OCTOBER
3RD, 1952,
WROTE THE
FINISH TO
THE BLOODY
CAREER
OF MARTY
JAMES,
THE JEKYLL
AND HYDE
KILLER!

THE END





Lieutenant Ralph Masterson, plainclothesman, sat nervously in the courtroom watching a perfect case against a killer being torn to bits by the defense attorney's clever - and mysterious maneuverings.

"'What's wrong?' Masterson asked himself, crossing first one leg, then the other. "Burns is the killer. We had this thing wrapped up cold. Now the defense counsel is making saps out of the department."

Masterson thought back, trying to reorganize each detail in his mind, starting from the night of the murder, on May 15th, at City Hospital.

That night, a wounded man lay under the merciful oblivion of ether, after an operation for the removal of his appendix. That was detail number one.

Detail number two: A man and a woman, friends of the patient, entering the hallway from the elevator, saw another man, wearing a brown sports jacket, a fedora, and light tan slacks. He walked past them and stood at the elevator.

The couple told the police later, that the man in the sports jacket and the tan slacks distinctly smelled of ether.

Detail number three: when the couple reached the patient's room, the patient was dead. The doctors reported that he had been suffocated. Who could have murdered him?

Masterson, remembering the couple's testimony about the man with the odor of ether clinging to his clothes, made a hurried check, which led him to detail number four: There were eight rooms on that particular floor, only ONE of which contained a patient who had been given ether. That room had been occupied by the murdered man. The two witnesses were shown police photo files, and both identified the man in the jacket and slacks. He was Jeff "Scar" Burns.

Masterson looked at the defense attorney again, and wondered curiously why he was handing small phials to the two witnesses and the jury -- phials filled with various liquids for them to smell and identify.

Then once again his mind flashed back to the actual case -- how it was built up against Burns. He had been picked up and had admitted that he had gone to the hospital -- but found that he was on the wrong floor.

"Sure, Burns had said, I was there to see a pal. When I saw I was on the wrong floor I went back to the elevator."

Further investigation produced two facts: Burns had known the patient, and there was evidence -- though circumstantial, that Burns had been tied up in a blackmail case involving the dead man.

The case evolved into whether or not Burns had been in the murdered man's room. If not, he was to go free. If so, he would face a murder sentence. Lieutenant Masterson sat there, fidgeting, listening to the melodramatic voice of the defense attorney.

"Now, ladies and gentlemen of the jury," the defense counselor was saying, still holding the phials, "a man's life depends upon the sense of smell of two witnesses. I have passed these phials around, containing varying, well-known liquids, which the witnesses and the jury have identified."

The defense counselor continued, "Now I pass still one more, due to the importance of this test. Remember -- a man's life hangs in the balance."

The two witnesses and the members of the jury each sniffed the vial, and each replied: "Gasoline".

"Now," exclaimed the counselor, "this last phial -- I pass it around. I ask once more that the contents of a phial be identified."

Once again he passed a phial, this time to just the witnesses--but each peered in bewilderment at the phial, unable to identify its contents.

"There," he exclaimed victoriously. "The witnesses are not able to identify ether in the phial. I ask that this case be thrown out of court!"

Masterson bounded from his chair. The vague idea that had danced tantalizingly in his mind suddenly came into focus -- as he suddenly hit upon the answer.

"Just a moment!" he shouted. All eyes were upon him.

"Objection!" roared the defense counselor.

"Objection overruled. This is a policeman. If he has anything to affer on the case, he should be heard."

Masterson faced the court, then said: "I would like to wait a full minute or two, then have the phials mixed up again--and have another experiment conducted."

"Why?" gueried the judge.

"Your Honor," replied Masterson, "the next to the last phial contained gasoline. I think the chemists will bear out the fact that gasoline deadens the sense of smell for a brief period -- perhaps a minute or two. It was during this period that the witnesses were unable to identify the ether -- because their sense of smell was deadened.

Excited chattering flooded the courtroom.

"You'll find," continued Masterson, "that if the witnesses are not allowed to smell the gasoline first -- as the defense so cleverly arranged, they will identify the ether in any of the mixed-up phials."

And, with that, the experiment was conducted for the second time.

The jury returned a verdict of murder in the first degree.

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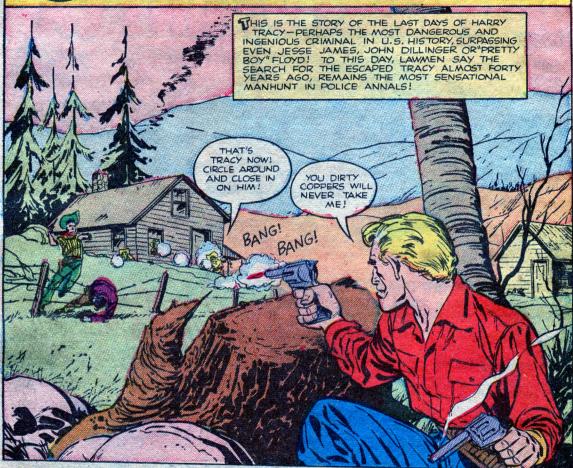
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THE DEATH HUNT OF SLIPPERY TIGER TRACY



ON MARCH 10TH, 1916, THREE MEMBERS OF THE ONCE NOTORIOUS "WILD BUNCH" GANG — "SWEDE" JOHNSON, DAVE LANT AND THE DEADLY HARRY TRACY, SURRENDERED TO THE WYOMING STATE POLICE...





BUT THE FABULOUS BANDIT COM-MITTED TO PRISON AT SALEM, OREGON WAS DESTINED TO MAKE HIS UNFORGETABLE PLACE IN CRIME HISTORY! FOUR YEARS LATER, IN 1920, IN THE PRISON YARD AT DAWN...



SUDDENLY, HARRY TRACY JUMPED
FROM THE LINE-UP, YANKED A
SAWED OFF RIFLE FROM UNDER HIS
JACKET AND FIRED AT ONE OF
THE GUARDS...
GOT ONE OF
THE OTHER!

ANOTHER CON, DAVID MERRILL, ALSO PRODUCED A SIMILAR RIFLE, FIRED BEFORE THE SECOND GUARD COULD TAKE ACTION...

GOOD WORK, MERRILL!
THAT'S TWO LESS GUARDS TO
DEAL WITH! C'MON, THE
LADDER'S READY AT THE



THE BOLD CONS SCALED THE WALL, SHOT TWO STOCKADE GUARDS, AND WOUNDED THE THIRD...



THE DESPERATE CRASHERS THEN USED THE WOUNDED GUARD AS A HUMAN SHIELD! THUS SUCCESSFULLY PASSED THROUGH THE OUTTER GATE...









THE NEXT DAY, THEY HELD UP TWO DRIVERS, RELIEVED THEM OF THEIR BUGGY, AND RACED OFF! THE DRIVERS, IT WAS LEARNED LATER, WERE LAW MEN...



THEY ENTERED THE TOWN OF GERVAS AND RODE RIGHT DOWN THE MAIN STREET...



THE NEXT MORNING, TRACY LOOKED FROM HIS WINDOW TO SEE NUMEROUS HARD-FACED MEN ARRIVING IN



HOURS LATER, THEY ABANDONED THE BUGGY, AND TOOK TO THE FOREST ...

WHAT'S UP, TRACY? WHY WE ARE GOING ON FOOTS

SHUT UP! IF POSSES ARE CLOSING IN ON US, THEY'LL BE ON ALL THE ROADS! WE GOTTA GO THROUGH THE



BUT THE EMPTY BUGGY WAS SOON FOUND, AND A FIFTY-MAN CORDON WAS THROWN AROUND THEM...



INCREDIBLY, THEY DID BREAK THROUGH, AND LATER AT THE SHERIFFIS OFFICE ..

GET OUT EVERY MAN WHO OWNS A GUN, AND COUNTRYSIDE! WE'VE GOT TO GET TRACY AND MERRILL!



SOON THE GOVERNOR ORDERED THE STATE MILITIA TO JOIN IN THE SPREADING MANHUNT-250 SOLDIERS ARRIVED TO RE-ENFORCE THE POSSES...

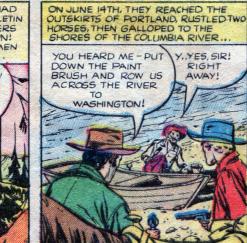


CUNNINGLY, TRACY AND MERRILL DOUBLED BACK, SURPRISED TWO DEPUTIES AT NIGHT ... TOOK THEIR GUNS, AND ... [



A NEW YORK NEWSPAPER HAD ANNOUNCED IN A SPECIAL BULLETIN THAT THE TWO ESCAPED KILLERS WOULD BE CAUGHT BY DAWN! BUT THE RED-EYED POSSEMEN SHOOK THEIR HEADS ..

GOSH! I DON'T KNOW HOW THEY GOT THROUGH OUR LINES, BUT THEY DID! THEY MUST BE HALF TIGER HALF FOX!



ONCE ACROSS, THEY STOPPED TO EAT AT A FARMHOUSE, AND TIED AND GAGGED THEIR HOST... HARRY! I ALL RIGHT, HEAR BLOOD-50 WE MAKE HOUNDS! A RUNNING FIGHT OF

DOCUMENTED RECORDS SAY THAT THE TWO KILLERS SHOT THEIR WAY PAST A FORCE OF NEARLY ONE HUN-DRED MEN, THEN TOOK TO THE RIVER...



THEY REACHED THE OTHER SHORE SAFELY, THEN STOLE TWO HORSES IN RIDGEFIELD, AND GALLOPED OUT OF TOWN...

I'M TIRED, TRACY! HOW LONG CAN THIS KEEP UP?

Y.YES, SIR!

RIGHT

AWAY!

I DON'T WANT TO TELL YOU AGAIN TO SHUT UP! I'M RUNNIN'



THE TWO SHOT THEIR WAY THROUGH A ROADBLOCK AT CHEHALIS, OREGON, AND WERE LATER SEEN ON A TRAIN NEAR TACOMA! LATER, IN A WOODS ...

I'VE HAD ENOUGH THATIS OF THIS, TRACY! BESIDES, YOU'VE BEEN RIGHT CALLIN'ME A COWARD! WITH ME, YOU TO A DUEL! MERRILL







THEN TRAVELING ALONE, HARRY TRACY WALKED INTO AN OYSTER COMPANY IN OLYMPIA WHERE HE PORCED SIX MEN TO STAND AGAINST THE WALL, WHILE TWO OTHERS GOT HIS BREAKFAST...



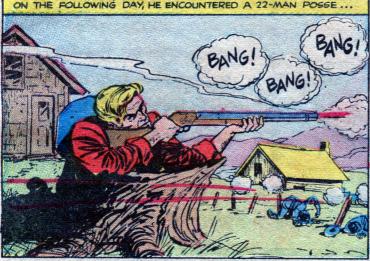
AFTER BREAKFAST, HE GAGGED THE TWO COOKS AND COERCED THE OTHERS DOWN TO THE DOCK...



WHEN THE BOAT REACHED MEADOW POINT, NEAR SEATTLE, TRACY ORDERED THE CAPTAIN TO DOCK, AND...



LATER THAT NIGHT, HE RELEASED THE GUIDE NEAR BOTHELL, AND ON THE FOLLOWING DAY, HE ENCOUNTERED A 22-MAN POSSE ...



AFTER A HOT AND HEAVY EX-CHANGE OF GUNFIRE, TRACY AGAIN ESCAPED THROUGH THE THICK BRUSH...



A MILE FROM BOTHELL HE FORCED A FARMER TO DRIVE HIM TO WOODLAND PARK! THERE HE STOPPED AT A FARMHOUSE ...



WHILE THE NOTORIOUS KILLER ATE, THE DOORBELL RANG! IT WAS THE BUTCHER BOY MAKING A DELIVERY! HARRY TRACY DIDN'T HEAR MRS. VAN HORN WHISPER ONE STARTLING WORD TO THE BUTCHER BOY...



THE LITTLE BOY QUICKLY SOUNDED THE ALARM, AND A POSSE HURRIED TO THE VAN HORN HOUSE ...



TRACY CALMLY THANKED MRS. VAN HORN FOR THE MEAL-THEN STEPPED OUTSIDE WITH HIS TWO CAPTIVES, AND WALKED CASUALLY TO THE WAGON! WHEN HE WAS ON THE WAGON ALONE.



TRACY WHEELED QUICKLY, FIRED SEVERAL SHOTS, AND THEN WHIPPED THE HORSES INTO A GALLOP...



THE KILLER NEXT SHOWED UP AT A LOGGING CAMP, AND FORCED THE LOGGERS TO GIVE HIM FOOD! AFTER THAT, HE WENT TO A FARMHOUSE ..

LAW OFFICERS HAVE TRACKED ME HERE! THE PLACE'S SURROUND ED! I'M GOING

BY SOME QUIRK OF FATE HE MANAGED TO REACH THE WOODS, WHERE HE WAS CONFRONTED BY TWO DEPUTIES...

ME? HARRY TRACY? YOU'RE CRAZY, MAN! I'M A NEW YORK "WORLD" REPORTER ON THIS



ALL RIGHT-BUT BE ON THE LOOK-OUT! HE'S ARMED, AND DANGEROUS! THERE'LL BE PLENTY OF ACTION WHEN WE SMOKE HIM OUT OF THAT HOUSE!

RIGHT, THANKS! PLL WATCH OUT

ATER, TRACY MADE A BRAZEN PHONE CALL TO THE SHERIFF ...

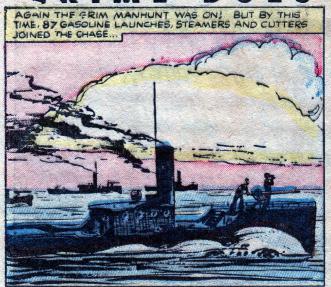


THE DARING KILLER WOVE HIS WAY IN AND OUT OF CORDONS, AND PAST THE VERY SHADOWS OF THOSE WHO SOUGHT HIM! THEN, ON A MISTY MORNING...

IT WAS TRACY! WE'RE SURE! HE WAS IN A SLOOP, RIDING THE THEN WE'LL TREACHEROUS WATERS OF DECEPTION PASS, JUST OFF PUGET SOUND, SHERIFF!

GET THE NAVY AFTER HIM!





SOMEHOW, HE MANAGED TO ELUDE THE SEA CORDON, AND REACHED SHORE, WHERE LATER, HE WAS REPORTED TO BE HIDING OUT AT A RANCH NEAR CRESTON, OREGON... AND A LINCOLN COUNTY POSSE CLOSED IN ON HIM...

ROAD SOMEWHERE HE'S BEEN SHOT, BUT REMEMBER, BE ON THE ALERT! HE'S TWICE



THEY CLOSED IN ON TRACY, BUT EVEN WITH A BULLET IN HIS HIP, HE BROKE OUT, AND FLED INTO THE VALLEY, FIRING AT PURSUERS .. HIS



THE OUTLAW THEN STOPPED BEHIND A HUGE BOULDER .. AND THERE, HE FOUGHT BACK!



THE TIGER WAS NOW COMPLETELY SURROUNDED! SUDDENLY THERE WAS A LULL - FOLLOWED BY ONE SHOT FROM BEHIND THE BOULDER





AND THUS ENDED ONE OF THE MOST INCREDIBLE MANHUNTS OF ALL TIME! THERE HAD BEEN A BULLET MEANT FOR HARRY TRACY FROM THE START! NOBODY COULD HAVE GUESSED THAT IT WAS TO COME FROM HIS OWN GUN!





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